

WEYMOUTH SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING  
Weymouth High School – Mary J. Livingstone Humanities Center  
August 24, 2017  
MINUTES  
Approved 9.7.17

<b>CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE MOMENT OF SILENCE</b>	7:03 PM All who were present stood for the pledge	
<b>MEMBERS</b> Strike out = absent	Lisa Belmarsh, Chair Diana Flemer, Vice Chair Gail Sheehan, Secretary Kathy Curran <del>Robert Hedlund, Mayor</del> Tracey Nardone John Sullivan	Jen Curtis-Whipple, Superintendent Susan Kustka, Assist. Superintendent Mary Ann Bryan, Interim Assist. Superintendent Mickey McGonagle, Interim Business Manager
	On motion of Dr. Sullivan, seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to table the Executive Session Minutes of December 17, 2015. Vote all yes, 0 no, 0 abstain. 7:04 PM  On motion of Mrs. Sheehan, seconded by Mrs. Curran to table the minutes of June 22, 2017. Vote fails 4:2 to table the minutes of June 22, 2017	
<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b> * Items = tabled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Payment of Bills, Warrant # 09-2018, 8/28/17, \$968,672.00 with money to pay</li> <li>b. Approval of Regular Minutes: 6/22/17</li> <li>c. Approval of Executive Session Meeting Minutes: 2-5-15; 3-26-15; 4-9-15; 4-30-15; 5-14-15; 6-11-15; 6-25-15; 8-27-15; 9-10-15; 9-25-15; 10-8-15; 12-3-15;</li> </ul> <p>Motion made by Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mrs. Nardone to approve the Consent Agenda – with minutes approved as corrected Vote: yes, 4; no, 2, Mrs. Sheehan and Mrs. Curran voted NO, motion passes. 7:15 p.m.</p>	
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b> Bold = speaker	<b>Chair Belmarsh opened public comment.</b> <b>There was none.</b>	
<b>REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT</b>	<p>The Superintendent reported out on the following:  The Superintendent shared with the Committee some professional development opportunities that have been underway over the last two weeks. This week we welcomed almost 40 new educators to WPS. As part of the department of education regulations and our onboarding initiatives, our new educators attended 3 full days of intensive PD. They also participated in a tour of our community. All new educators will continue to participate in our mentor program and specialized PD for the next two years.</p> <p>Our Leadership team participated in five full days of PD during the week of August 7th. We collaborated and planned for the upcoming school year. We also participated in trainings from the ADL and the DESE safe schools initiatives supporting acceptance of everyone regardless of gender or sexual preference. Other topics included organizational management and how to support all staff members, special education protocols, and PD planning. It was a very intense week but everyone fully participated and we also had a few laughs together too!</p> <p>111 has moved back into our office spaces. While this unplanned situation was very disruptive, I want to share that all staff members kept us afloat and if it were not for the work of John Barker and his team, I am not sure where we would be today! All buildings are looking beautiful and just about ready to welcome students back. Seach and Abigail Adams housed summer programming, but they will be completed shortly. I want to make everyone aware that the four fourth grade positions that we mentioned prior have been filled. We are very thankful for the support of Town hall that allowed for us to be able to meet this last minute need. Back in October 2016 we</p>	

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	<p>began the process of ordering a bus. We were able to fund this through the transportation department and Weycare. The cost associated with renting busses is growing and this addition to Robin Howard’s fleet will allow defraying athletic transportation costs, field trip transportation costs across the district as well as supporting Weycare summer field trip transportation too. With remaining funds due to breakage at the end of the year, I am happy to say that we have been able to purchase a shear for the CTE sheet metal program, chromebooks, and complete some safety updates at WHS Gold lobby as well as an upgrade at Academy Avenue School is underway too. Also I want to again thank WEF for their very generous grant donation that has provided a new interactive projector in every building and art supplies for our upper schools art programs.</p> <p>On the same note, please do not miss out on the annual WEF and Rotary Golf Tournament happening on Monday August 28th at South Shore Country Club. We are very thankful that WEF and Rotary hold this event to support our schools.</p> <p>Lastly, if you have not been able to take a peek at the field behind the Pingree School you need to. It is amazing the work that has been done. I want to thank Mayor Hedlund and his office for the continuous upgrades that we are seeing around our community. Many staff attended the ground breaking a Libby Field Last week...the schools are very thankful for these updates.</p> <p>Introduction of new employees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Karen Bonner, Dean – WHS</li> <li>• Lisa Canavan, Dean – WHS</li> <li>• Jennifer Dolan, Dean – WHS</li> <li>• Melissa Humphrey, Data Manager</li> <li>• Alpha Sanford – Special Education Director</li> <li>• Kim Stoloski, Ed.D., Assistant Principal – Chapman Middle School</li> </ul> <p><b>Mrs. Sheehan asked Superintendent Curtis-Whipple which schools got additional fourth grades. Dr. Curtis-Whipple stated Hamilton, Murphy, Nash and Academy Avenue.</b></p>
<p><b>NEW BUSINESS</b></p> <p>* Items = action required</p>	<p><b>*Approval of contract for Special Education Administrator effective July 1, 2017</b> On motion of Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to approve the contract for Special Education Administrator. 5/0 vote to approve. 7:41 p.m.</p> <p><b>*Approval of appointment of Nurse Leader effective September, 1, 2017</b> On motion of Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to approve the appointment of Paula Magnasco as Nurse Leader effective September 1, 2017. 5/0 vote to approve. 7:44 p.m.</p> <p><b>*Approval for Superintendent Curtis-Whipple to Participate on the Board of South Shore Educational Collaborative effective July 1, 2017</b> On motion of Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to approve Superintendent Curtis-Whipple to participate on the board of South Shore Educational Collaborative effective July 1, 2017. 5/0 vote to approve. 7:45 p.m.</p> <p><b>*Superintendent contract – review of cost of living increase request (Action Requested)</b> On motion of Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mrs. Nardone to approve a 1/5% cost of living increase for Superintendent Curtis-Whipple effective July 1, 2017. 4 yes; 1 no,</p>

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	<p>Mrs. Sheehan voted NO Motion passes. 7:49 p.m. It was brought to the Superintendent's and Chair's attention by Mrs. Sheehan that the Committee should have voted for the non-union cost of living increases before they were given to employees.</p> <p><b>Superintendent Evaluation Process</b>  Chair Belmarsh shared that Committee Members have been meeting with the Superintendent. Members who have not yet met are encouraged to do so and have scheduled time.</p> <p><b>Report of Status of Executive Session Minutes for 2016/17 school calendar year: December 1, 2016; Feb 16, 2017; March 9, 2017; March 23, 2017; April 27, 2017; May 11, 2017; May 25, 2017; June 8, 2017; June 22, 2017</b>  On motion of Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to table the report of status of executive session minutes. Vote: 5/0. 7:49 p.m. motion passes.</p>
<p><b>OLD BUSINESS</b></p> <p>* Items = action required</p>	<p><b>MSBA Chapman Feasibility Study</b>  Chair Belmarsh shared that the Building Committee has met twice since the last School Committee meeting. The Committee has been working selection of potential sites one is the current Chapman Building location and the second site is near Administration and Adams. The Committee also discussed middle school configurations. At this time, the committee is submitting a request to MSBA to remove one of the approved configurations and add another. Chair Belmarsh reminded the public if they are interested they can find the information from the Building Committee meetings on the Town and School websites as well as on WETC.</p>
<p><b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b></p>	<p>WHS Administration Meet &amp; Greet  Tuesday, 8/29 @ 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>Mrs. Sheehan asked why the Superintendent Search minutes are not posted. Chair Belmarsh stated that we are not required to have Executive Session minutes posted but if anyone would like them, they can request through the Chair.</p> <p>Chair Belmarsh shared that Ms. Flemer and Dr. Sullivan have been working on a new design for the School Committee website. It is much more user friendly and hopefully will be up and running soon.</p>
<p><b>NEXT MEETING</b></p>	<p><b>Next Meeting of the WSC Meeting</b>  Thursday, September 7, 2017 – 7:00 PM – MJL Humanities Center, WHS</p>
<p><b>ADJOURNMENT</b></p>	<p>Motion made by Ms. Flemer, seconded by Mrs. Sheehan to adjourn the meeting -  Vote: all yes, 0 no, 0 abstain 7:54 PM</p>
<p><b>Documents</b></p>	<p>Warrant # 09-2018, 8/28/17, \$968,672.00  Executive Session Meeting Minutes: 2-5-15; 3-26-15; 4-9-15; 4-30-15; 5-14-15; 6-11-15; 6-25-15; 8-27-15; 9-10-15; 9-25-15; 10-8-15; 12-3-15; 12-17-15  Alpha Sanford Contract  Jennifer Curtis-Whipple Contract</p>

Submitted by,

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Gail Sheehan, Secretary